

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A wood chip screening method comprising:

separating, in a separating apparatus, pin chips from a quantity of chips that are to be led to a subsequent process;

dosing a desired amount of the separated pin chips among the chips that are to be led to a subsequent process so that a share of dosed pin chips relative to a total amount of chips does not exceed a desired value,

wherein the desired amount of the separated pin chips is dosed among the chips that are to be led to the subsequent process immediately upon being separated from the chips that are to be led to a subsequent process.

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2. (Amended) A chip screening method as defined in claim 1, wherein a dosing apparatus doses the desired amount of pin chips.

3. (Amended) A chip screening method as defined in claim 1, wherein the desired amount of pin chips dosed among the chips that are to be led to the subsequent process is a function of an amount of chips separated in the separating apparatus.

4. (Amended) A chip screening method as defined in claim 1, wherein the desired amount of pin chips dosed among the chips that are to be led to the subsequent process is a function of an amount of chips fed into the subsequent process.

5. (Twice Amended) A chip screening method as defined in claim 1, comprising leading separated pin chips exceeding the desired amount of pin chips to a remote location.

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6. (Amended) A plant for screening wood chips and for subsequently leading chips to a subsequent process comprising:

at least one separating apparatus adapted to separate pin chips from a quantity of chips to be led to a subsequent process; and

a dosing apparatus arranged immediately downstream of the separating apparatus and adapted to dose separated pin chips among the chips that are to be led to the subsequent process as the pin chips are separated by the separating apparatus.

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